

1 legislature for what the legislature felt was good and  
2 sufficient cause, and signed into law by that or a preced-  
3 ing governor. Yet the governor could so reduce the budget  
4 of that program that it would, for all practical purposes,  
5 be dead, and the legislature, under the present budgetary  
6 system, would not be able to meet that kind of a problem.

7 I believe that we should retain both flexibility  
8 and responsibility. If we then give as this amendment pro-  
9 poses the General Assembly the power to increase a recom-  
10 mendation of the governor within the estimates of revenues  
11 so that the budget remains balanced, we who have intro-  
12 duced this amendment believe we should give the governor  
13 an according power to reduce or veto any such increase,  
14 that he should do it, and that the General Assembly should  
15 then have the subsequent opportunity to override that  
16 veto by a three-fifths majority of all of the members  
17 elected to the General Assembly.

18 This is the kind of recommendation which has  
19 been made countless times by students of State government  
20 and students of budgetary process, that the General  
21 Assembly should be free to increase or decrease within